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### **EOIR Announces the Newest Member of the Board of Immigration Appeals**

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) today announced that Attorney General Eric Holder appointed Ana Landazabal Mann to the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA). Ms. Mann will begin work as a board member on November 21, 2011.

Prior to this appointment, Ms. Mann served as a senior legal advisor to the Chairman of the BIA since 1996, during which time she also served as a temporary board member. From 1986 to 1996, Ms. Mann was an attorney advisor for the BIA. Ms. Mann joined the Department of Justice through the Attorney General's Honors Program when she clerked at the Drug Enforcement Administration from 1985 until 1986. She received a bachelor of arts degree from Rutgers University in 1982 and a juris doctorate from George Washington University in 1985. Ms. Mann is a member of the New Jersey State Bar.

The BIA is responsible for hearing appeals from certain decisions rendered by immigration judges and by district directors of the Department of Homeland Security. It is the highest administrative body for interpreting and applying federal immigration laws.

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*The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) is an agency within the Department of Justice. Under delegated authority from the Attorney General, immigration judges and the Board of Immigration Appeals interpret and adjudicate immigration cases according to United States immigration laws. EOIR's immigration judges conduct administrative court proceedings in immigration courts located throughout the nation. They determine whether foreign-born individuals — whom the Department of Homeland Security charges with violating immigration law — should be ordered removed from the United States or should be granted relief from removal and be permitted to remain in this country. The Board of Immigration Appeals primarily reviews appeals of decisions by immigration judges. EOIR's Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer adjudicates immigration-related employment cases. EOIR is committed to ensuring fairness in all of the cases it adjudicates.*